

**ST. MARY'S COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
GOVERNMENTAL CENTER
Tuesday, February 8, 2005**

Present: Commissioner President Thomas F. McKay
Commissioner Kenneth R. Dement
Commissioner Lawrence D. Jarboe
Commissioner Thomas A. Mattingly, Sr.
Commissioner Daniel H. Raley
George G. Forrest, County Administrator
Kate Mauck, Senior Administrative Coordinator (Recorder)

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:07 a.m.

APPROVAL OF CHECK REGISTER

Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to authorize the Commissioner President to sign the Check Register. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to approve the minutes of the Commissioners' meeting of Monday, January 31, 2005. Motion carried.

AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH: GREAT MILLS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT PRESENTATION

Students from Great Mills High School presented speeches in honor of African-American History Month.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

1. Draft Agendas for February 15 and February 22, 2005
2. **Introduction of Human Resources Director**

Mr. Forrest introduced the new Director of Human Resources, Maxine Somerville. A warm welcome was extended to Ms. Somerville on behalf of St. Mary's County Government.

3. Bay District Volunteer Fire Department

Present: Keith Fairfax

Mr. Fairfax appeared before the Board of County Commissioners in order to provide information regarding a public hearing that will be conducted by the Bay District Volunteer Fire Department for residents of the Eighth Election District. The public hearing will be conducted due to Bay District's proposal to increase the District's fire tax effective July 1, 2005. The public hearing will be held on February 23rd, at 7:00 p.m., at the Lexington Park Public Library. *Mr. Forrest reported that staff from County Government would provide the services of a recording secretary for the public hearing.*

4. Finance Department

Present: Elaine Kramer, Chief Financial Officer

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to approve and sign Resolution authorizing the sale of general obligation bonds in the amount of \$16,260,000 to fund previously approved capital projects. Motion carried, 5-0.

5. Department of Recreation, Parks, and Community Services

Present: Phil Rollins, Director
Patty Meyers, Golf Course Manager

Commissioner Mattingly moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign Alcohol Beverage License Renewal Application for the Wicomico Shores Golf Course. Commissioners' Mattingly, Dement, and McKay voted in favor of the motion; Commissioner Jarboe voted against the motion; Commissioner Raley abstained. Motion carried, 3-1-1.

6. Department of Public Works and Transportation

Present: George Erichsen, Director

a. Resolution accepting Hearts Desire Drive, County Route 31408 into the Highway Maintenance System. *Located in the Hearts Desire Subdivision, Section 2, 5th*

Election District. Also attached are Resolutions posting a 25-mph speed limit and stop sign for Hearts Desire Drive.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to approve and sign Resolution accepting Hearts Desire Drive, County Route 3108 into the Highway Maintenance System, and approve and sign Resolutions posting a 25-mph speed limit and stop sign for Hearts Desire Drive. Motion carried, 5-0.

- b. Public Works Agreement Addendum for Hickory Hills North Subdivision, Phase 3C. *Located in the 8th Election District with an expiration date of July 1, 2005. The Letter of Credit provided by the Bank of America in the amount of \$52,000 remains as posted based on the Department's Inspection Report dated December 22, 2004. The Public Works Agreement and Letter of Credit in the amount of \$197,700 were originally issued on August 3, 1999. The roads included in this agreement are: Meath Road (338') and Daugherty Court (138').*

Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign Public Works Agreement for Hickory Hills North Subdivision, Phase 3C. Motion carried, 5-0.

Also Present: Joyce Malone, Real Property Manager
Bill Scarafia, Chamber of Commerce

- c. **Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Mattingly, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign Lease Agreement with St. Mary's Chamber of Commerce for lease of space at the Captain Walter Francis Duke Terminal Building. Motion carried, 5-0.**

Also Present: Tony Pucciarella, President/Publisher, AutoPilot Magazine

- d. **Commissioner Mattingly moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign Lease Agreement with AeroChoice Unlimited, Inc. trading as The AutoPilot Magazine for lease of space at the Captain Walter Francis Duke Terminal Building. Motion carried, 5-0.**

7. Human Resources Department

Present: Tara Andrews, Deputy Director

- a. **Commissioner Mattingly moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign Budget Amendment in the amount of \$1,391 for the payout of compensation time to two employees in the Department of Public Works & Transportation and Building Services as a result of new FLSA regulations effective August 2004. Motion carried, 5-0.**

Also Present: Larry Harvey, Director, Marcey House

- b. **Commissioner Mattingly moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign Budget Amendment in the amount of \$2,700 for the Marcey House to pay sleep time to Weekend House Managers through the remainder of FY05 and to provide continuation of said compensation on an on-going basis. Commissioner Jarboe voted against the motion; all others voted in favor. Motion carried, 4-1.**

DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT: DECISIONS REGARDING TEXT AND MAP AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE WATER AND SEWER PLAN

Present: Jeff Jackman, Senior Planner
John Norris III, County Attorney

The Department of Land Use and Growth Management presented the Board of County Commissioners with Resolutions that would provide for Text and Map Amendments to the Comprehensive Water and Sewerage Plan. A public hearing regarding the proposed amendments was conducted on November 30, 2004.

The following decisions were made regarding Text and Map Amendments:

CWSP #04-132-104 Oakwood Lodge Townhouse (AKA The Lodge at Piney Point) – for water service only

Commissioner Dement moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and sign Resolution for CWSP #04-132-104 Oakwood Lodge Townhouse, to amend service map III-65 to change the water service category from W-6D to W-3D. Motion carried, 5-0.

CWSP #04-120-014 St. Mary's Crossing – for water and sewer service

Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Mattingly, to approve and sign Resolution for CWSP #04-120-014 St. Mary's Crossings Subdivision, to amend service area maps III-42 and IV-42 to change from W-6 and S-6 to W-3D and S-3D. Motion carried, 5-0.

CWSP #04-03-120-014 Essex Woods and Essex Woods North – for water and sewer service

Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and sign Resolution for CWSP #-03-120-014 Essex Woods and Essex Woods North, to amend service maps III-51 and IV-51 to change the service area categories from W-6D and S-6D to W-3D and S-3D. Motion carried, 5-0.

CWSP #04-120-018 Eldorado Farm Subdivision Track B – for water service only

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Raley, to deny the request for the signing of a Resolution for CWSP #04-120-018 Eldorado Farm Subdivision Track B, to amend service map III-4 to change the water service category from NPS to RW. Commissioners' Raley, Jarboe, and Dement voted in favor of the motion; Commissioners' Mattingly and McKay voted against the motion. Motion carried, 3-2.

Commissioner Mattingly requested that staff provide exact location information for Track B. Discussion took place regarding preservation of the Rural Preservation District. Mr. Norris was directed to prepare a Resolution reflecting the vote against the amendment of water service for Eldorado Farm Subdivision Track B for the Board of County Commissioners to consider.

CWSP #04-120-023 The Estates of Joy Chapel – for water and sewer service

Commissioner Mattingly moved, seconded by Commissioner Raley, to approve and sign Resolution for CWSP #04-120-023 The Estates of Joy Chapel, to amend service maps III-27 and IV-27 to change the service categories from W-6D and S-6D to W-3D and S-3D. Motion carried, 5-0.

AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE

Present: Ned Clarke, Chair, Airport Advisory Committee
George Erichsen, Director, Department of Public Works & Transportation

Mr. Clarke presented a comprehensive annual report from the Airport Advisory Committee for the calendar year 2003. The following information was outlined in detail:

- Mission statement;
- Purpose and goals of the Committee;
- Activities and accomplishments;
- Challenges encountered or expected;
- Plans for the future; and
- Additional items of interest.

A major difficulty encountered is the need to consider changing the name of the Captain Walter Frances Duke Airport to a more simplified name to provide consistency and regional location identification. A consideration given was to name the terminal building after Captain Walter Frances Duke, and to change the airport name to St. Mary's or some other location designation as deemed appropriate. *It was determined that Commissioner Mattingly would meet with the Duke family to discuss any concerns that might be involved with a potential name change, prior to further discussion by the Board of County Commissioners.*

Commissioner Mattingly asked Mr. Forrest to find out the capability of the new radio system to patch together airplane communications between a pilot and the County's emergency communications personnel so they might communicate directly with one another.

COMMISSIONERS' TIME

Commissioner Dement

Reported that Commissioners attended the Second District Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad's 54th Installations of Officers Ceremony.

Commissioner Mattingly

Encouraged citizens to pick up a copy of the St. Mary's County Calendar of Events 2005 brochure. The brochure was produced by the Tourism division, within the Department of Economic and Community Development, and it outlines numerous great things to do in St. Mary's County.

Reported that Commissioners traveled to Annapolis last week for the Governor's announcement of Priority Places, and the Leonardtown Wharf Project received one of only two designations as a Priority Place within the State of Maryland. The Town of Leonardtown was complemented for their efforts in receiving this designation, which was highly competitive.

Attended an event put together by the Sheriff's Department that involved numerous support agencies and activities. The new project is aimed at Alzheimer's and Dementia and is entitled *Project Lifesaver*. Commissioner Mattingly outlined ways the project can assist citizens by providing safety measures for individuals with one of these disabling

illnesses. Citizens were encouraged to support this important effort, and the agencies that are currently signed up to help were thanked for their willingness to contribute.

Reported that numerous churches and other organizations in the County will be holding Pancake Suppers tonight for Shrove Tuesday.

Commissioner Jarboe

Reported that after departing the Second District Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad event over the weekend, he attended a benefit held for Mike Pilkerton, which featured *The Wanderers*, a musical group that has been performing since the 1960's. The event drew about 500 people and was very enjoyable. Extended his best wishes to Mike Pilkerton.

Commissioner Raley

Expressed congratulations to the Second District Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad and to the Town of Leonardtown for the recognition of the Leonardtown Wharf as a Priority Place.

Commissioner President McKay

Also expressed congratulations to the Town of Leonardtown for earning the recognition of the Leonardtown Wharf as a Priority Place.

Reported that he attended a *Reality Check* event in Washington D.C. last week, with over 300 people in attendance, including John Savich and Denis Canavan from St. Mary's County. The event drew representatives from counties throughout the Washington Metropolitan region. Commissioner President McKay outlined the purpose and activities conducted at the event, and reported that the County will be looking into replicating this type of event in Southern Maryland.

Reported that he attended a meeting of the Critical Area Commission last Wednesday, and one of the items discussed and approved by the Commission was a 350-home subdivision that met all the necessary requirements for approval.

Expressed congratulations to the Second District Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad for their Installation of Officers event.

BUDGET WORK SESSION

The Board of County Commissioners, after adjournment of the regular meeting, conducted an afternoon Budget Work Session.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Minutes Approved by the Board of County Commissioners on _____

Kate Mauck, Senior Administrative Coordinator

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